

**Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners
February 13, 2004**

Teleconference Minutes

A teleconference for the Board of Medical Examiners was held at 2:00 in the Cumberland Room located on the First Floor of the Cordell Hull State Office Building on February 12, 2004.

Members in attendance electronically: Drs. Charles White, and Mitchell Mutter

Member in attendance: Dr. Robert Ripley

Staff Present: Dr. Larry Arnold, Consultant
Rosemarie Otto, Executive Director
Robert J. Kraemer, Jr., General Counsel
Mr. Bob O'Connell, Office of General Counsel
Sandra Powell, Administrator
Marsha Arnold, Unit Manager

A roll call was held to determine if each participant could hear the response of the other. Ms. Arnold stated the meeting was being held to ratify an agreed order entered the previous day by Dr. Michael Birdsong. Dr. White made a motion to proceed to conduct the meeting electronically and Dr. Mutter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held to accept the motion and the motion was adopted unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. White to proceed to conduct the meeting electronically by determining that the matter to be discussed met the following requirements: The subject matter required timely action, the physical presence of all members was not possible considering the period of time required for action, and the participation by some or all of the members of the board by electronic or other means was necessary. Dr. Mutter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held to accept the motion and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Members were advised to identify themselves before they spoke. Mr. Bob O'Connell explained the documents that had been filed and Mr. McIntire, attorney for Dr. Birdsong, agreed the document he was faxed the morning of the electronic meeting was the same document signed yesterday evening by Dr. Birdsong. Dr. White made a motion to accept the Agreed Order and Dr. Mutter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held to accept the motion and the motion was adopted unanimously.

The teleconference meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

These minutes were ratified by the Board on March 16, 2004.

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